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Referred to Judiciary and Public Safety Finance and Policy

1.1	A bill for an act
1.2 1.3 1.4	relating to crime; adjusting thresholds for certain marijuana offenses; providing for penalties; amending Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 152.025, subdivisions 1, 2; proposing coding for new law in Minnesota Statutes, chapter 152.
1.5	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:
1.6	Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 152.025, subdivision 1, is amended to read:
1.7	Subdivision 1. Sale crimes. A person is guilty of a controlled substance crime in the
1.8	fifth degree and upon conviction may be sentenced as provided in subdivision 4 if:
1.9	(1) the person unlawfully sells one or more mixtures containing marijuana or
1.10	tetrahydrocannabinols, except a small amount of marijuana for no remuneration; or
1.11	(2) the person unlawfully sells one or more mixtures containing a controlled substance
1.12	classified in Schedule IV.
1.13	Sec. 2. Minnesota Statutes 2018, section 152.025, subdivision 2, is amended to read:
1.14	Subd. 2. Possession and other crimes. A person is guilty of controlled substance crime
1.15	in the fifth degree and upon conviction may be sentenced as provided in subdivision 4 if:
1.16	(1) the person unlawfully possesses one or more mixtures containing a controlled
1.17	substance classified in Schedule I, II, III, or IV, except a small any amount of marijuana;
1.18	or
1.19	(2) the person procures, attempts to procure, possesses, or has control over a controlled
1.20	substance by any of the following means:
1.21	(i) fraud, deceit, misrepresentation, or subterfuge;

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2.1	(ii) using a false name or giving false credit; or
2.2	(iii) falsely assuming the title of, or falsely representing any person to be, a manufacturer,
2.3	wholesaler, pharmacist, physician, doctor of osteopathic medicine licensed to practice
2.4	medicine, dentist, podiatrist, veterinarian, or other authorized person for the purpose of
2.5	obtaining a controlled substance.
2.6	Sec. 3. [152.0251] CONTROLLED SUBSTANCE CRIME; MARIJUANA.
2.7	Subdivision 1. Sale crimes. Except as provided in section 152.027, subdivision 4, a
2.8	person is guilty of a controlled substance crime if on one or more occasions within a 90-day
2.9	period the person unlawfully sells:
2.10	(1) one or more mixtures of a total weight of more than 42.5 grams containing marijuana;
2.11	(2) one or more mixtures of a total weight of more than ten grams but not more than
2.12	42.5 grams containing marijuana;
2.13	(3) one or more mixtures of a total weight of more than five grams but not more than
2.14	ten grams containing marijuana; or
2.15	(4) one or more mixtures of a total weight of five grams or less containing marijuana.
2.16	Subd. 2. Possession crimes. (a) A person is guilty of a controlled substance crime if the
2.17	person unlawfully possesses:
2.18	(1) one or more mixtures of a total weight of 250 grams or more containing marijuana;
2.19	(2) one or more mixtures of a total weight of more than 100 grams but not more than
2.20	250 grams containing marijuana;
2.21	(3) one or more mixtures of a total weight of more than 42.5 grams but not more than
2.22	100 grams containing marijuana; or
2.23	(4) one or more mixtures of a total weight of 42.5 grams or less.
2.24	Subd. 3. Penalty. (a) A person is guilty of a felony if convicted under subdivision 1,
2.25	clause (1), or subdivision 2, clause (1).
2.26	(b) A person is guilty of a gross misdemeanor if convicted under subdivision 1, clause
2.27	(2), or subdivision 2, clause (2).
2.28	(c) A person is guilty of a misdemeanor if convicted under subdivision 1, clause (3), or
2.29	subdivision 2, clause (3).

- 3.1 (d) A person is guilty of a petty misdemeanor if convicted under subdivision 1, clause
- 3.2 (4), or subdivision 2, clause (4).